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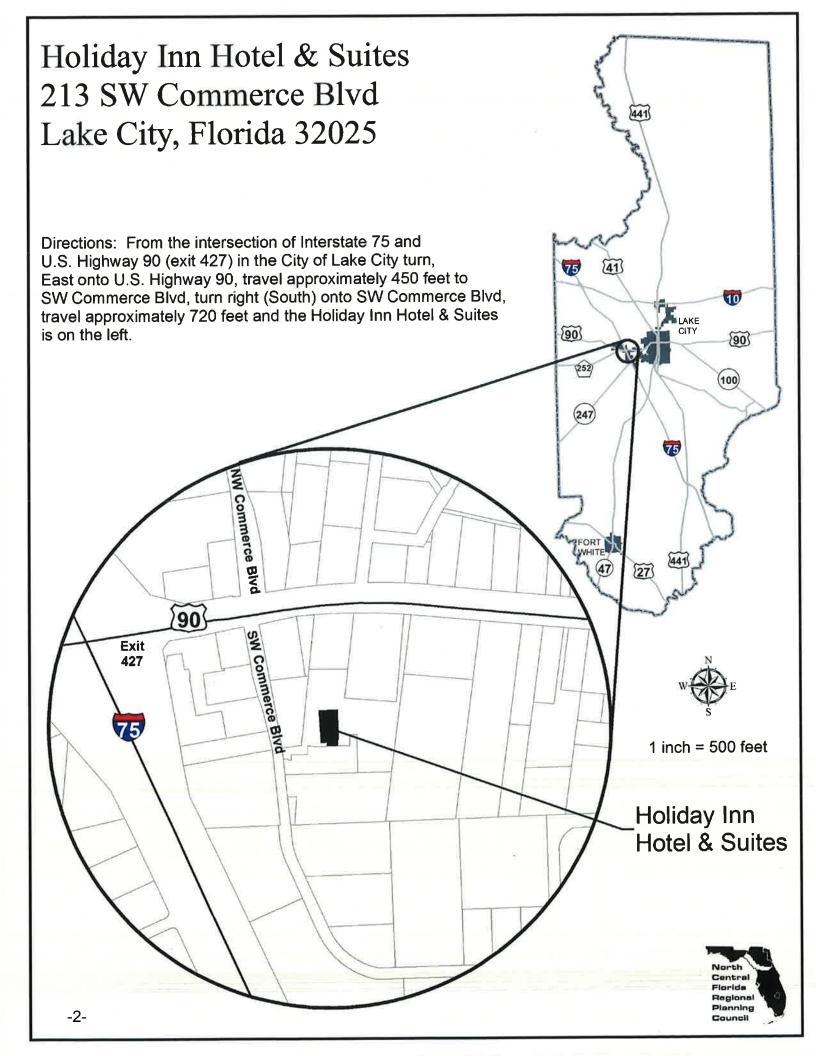
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MEETING NOTICE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on **April 27, 2017**. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida at 6:00 p.m.

(Location Map on Back)





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AGENDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Lake City, Florida

March 30, 2017 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT STAFF PRESENT

Rick Davis, Chair Scott Koons

Lorene Thomas, Vice-Chair
Louie Davis, Secretary-Treasurer

GUESTS PRESENT

Daniel Riddick, Immediate Past Chair

Robert Wilford, Member Stew Lilker

Chair Rick Davis called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 23, 2017

Chair Davis asked that the minutes for the February 23, 2017 Executive Committee meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Vice-Mayor Wilford made the motion, with a second by Mayor Davis to

approve the minutes for February 23, 2017 as written. The motion carried

unanimously.

II. CONTRACTS AND APPLICATIONS

A. Florida Department of Transportation Joint Participation Agreement Resolution

ACTION:

Mayor Davis made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Riddick to recommend that the Council authorize the Executive Director to submit a 12-month extension amendment for the Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation to provide support for transportation planning and regional visioning for Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties and adopt Resolution No. 2017-02 and authorize the Chair to execute an amendment to the Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Amendment to Memorandum of Agreement with Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Concerning Regional Economic Modeling, Inc.

ACTION:

Vice-Mayor Wilford made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to recommend that the Council authorize the Executive Director to sign an amendment to the memorandum of agreement with Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council for an additional year as a user of the Regional Economic Modeling, Inc., for a fixed fee amount of \$4,500. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Local Government Emergency Management Strategic Planning Services Agreement Fiscal Year 2016-17 - Gilchrist County

ACTION:

Ms. Thomas made the motion, with a second by Mayor Davis to recommend that the Council authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with Gilchrist County for Fiscal Year 2016-17 to provide emergency management strategic planning services for a fixed fee amount of \$2,300. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Purchase Order with Northeast Florida Regional Council to Prepare Commodities Flow Study

ACTION:

Commissioner Riddick made the motion, with a second by Vice-Mayor Wilford to recommend that the Council authorize the provision of services pursuant to a purchase order with the Northeast Florida Regional Council to prepare a Commodity Flow Study for a fixed fee amount of \$15,000. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Purchase Order with Apalachee Regional Planning Council to Assist with Evaluating Statewide Hurricane Exercise

ACTION:

Mayor Davis made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Riddick to recommend that the Council authorize the provision of assistance to the Apalachee Regional Planning Council with evaluating a Statewide Hurricane Exercise pursuant to a purchase order for services for a fixed fee amount of \$9,500. The motion carried unanimously.

III. PROGRAM REPORT

A. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Local Coordinating Board Appointments

ACTION:

Vice-Mayor Wilford made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Riddick to recommend that the Council appoint Selvin Cray the voting Workforce Development Board Representative on the Dixie, Gilchrist and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards and the alternate Workforce Development Board Representative on Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Local Coordinating Board Certificates

ACTION:

Commissioner Riddick made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to recommend that the Council authorize the Chair to sign the Bradford; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie; Gilchrist; Lafayette; Levy; Madison and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Membership Certifications. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Program
Community Transportation Coordinator Designation for Madison County

ACTION:

Mayor Davis made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to recommend that the Council reject the Transitions Commute Solutions, LLC proposal as being nonresponsive and approve the attached resolution recommending the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged designate Big Bend Transit, Inc. as the Community Transportation Coordinator for Madison County for a five-year period effective July 1, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Planning Grant Resolutions Fiscal Year 2017-18

ACTION:

Vice-Mayor Wilford made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Riddick to recommend that the Council authorize the Chair to execute the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Transportation Disadvantaged Program Planning Grant Agreements for Bradford; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie; Gilchrist; Lafayette; Levy; Madison; and Union Counties. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - Executive Director Appointed to Florida Chamber Foundation
Florida 2030 Infrastructure and Growth Leadership Pillar
Advisory Committee

Chair Davis reported that Executive Director, Scott Koons has been appointed to Florida Chamber Foundation Florida 2030 Infrastructure and Growth Leadership Pillar Advisory Committee. He stated that Mr. Koons will join leaders throughout the state on the Florida 2030 Advisory Committee to help craft a blueprint for Florida's future that secures prosperity and high wage jobs, prepares us for more aggressive global competiveness and promotes vibrant and sustainable communities for Floridians.

V. OTHER BUSINESS - Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board Meeting West Palm Beach - June 30, 2017

Mr. Koons announced that the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board Meeting will be held in West Palm Beach on June 30, 2017.

Mr. Stew Lilker, Columbia County Observer inquired about the duties and responsibilities of the Council, serving as the designated official planning agency for the transportation disadvantaged program for Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Counties. Mr. Scott Koons, Executive Director reviewed the duties and responsibilities of the Council, serving as the designated official planning agency, as well as the duties and responsibilities of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, the Columbia Hamilton Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and the Suwannee Valley Transit Authority, serving as the community transportation coordinator for the transportation disadvantaged program in Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Counties.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

4/27/17 Date

Rick Davis, Chair



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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for

Local Emergency Planning Committee - Fiscal Year 2017-18

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for Fiscal Year 2017-18 to provide the services to the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee for an anticipated amount not to exceed \$79,000.

BACKGROUND:

This item concerns an annual contract which the Council enters into with the Division of Emergency Management to cover the costs of the Council's emergency planning activities.

These funds are used to provide Council staff support to the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, including providing assistance with meetings, plan updates and training exercises.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management

to Update Hazards Analyses - Fiscal Year 2017-18

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for Fiscal Year 2017-18 to update hazards analyses for Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Marion and Taylor Counties for an estimated amount of \$17,159.

BACKGROUND:

Each year, the Florida Division of Emergency Management provides funding to the Council to update hazards analyses for locations that contain extremely hazardous substances that if released could cause off-site injuries.

Sites located in the following counties will be included in the hazard analyses update: Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Marion and Taylor Counties. The estimated amount of the agreement will be \$17,159.

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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Purchase Order with the Northeast Florida Regional Council to Assist with

Hurricane Exercise Planning, Evaluation and Documentation

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to provide services pursuant to a purchase order with the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with hurricane exercise planning, evaluation and preparing documentation for a fixed fee amount of \$1,500.

BACKGROUND:

The State of Florida has provided funding to counties and regional planning councils to assist with conducting training and exercises. The Council has been asked to provide technical assistance to the Northeast Florida Regional Council with a hurricane exercise for St. Johns County to be held in June 2017. The exercise will follow the methodology defined in the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$1,500 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with the exercise.

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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Purchase Order with the Northeast Florida Regional Council to Assist with

Public Health Exercise Planning, Evaluation and Documentation

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to provide services pursuant to a purchase order with the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with public health exercise planning, evaluation and preparing documentation for a fixed fee amount of \$1,500.

BACKGROUND:

The State of Florida has provided funding to counties and regional planning councils to assist with conducting training and exercises. The Council has been asked to provide technical assistance to the Northeast Florida Regional Council with a public health exercise for the North Central Florida Healthcare Coalition to be held in June 2017. The exercise will follow the methodology defined in the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$1,500 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with the exercise.

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Council Members TO:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director FROM:

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization SUBJECT:

for the Gainesville Urbanized Area Interlocal Agreement Affirmation

RECOMMENDATION:

Reaffirm the Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Coordination Joint Participation Agreement among the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, the Florida Department of Transportation, the City of Gainesville and the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority executed on January 26, 2007.

BACKGROUND:

As you know, the Council provides professional staff services to the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area to assist them with administering a continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning program pursuant to a Federal Highway Administration and Florida Department of Transportation approved unified work program. In particular, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area, serving as the designated metropolitan planning organization, is responsible for developing and maintaining a longrange transportation plan and transportation improvement program.

According to Section 339.175 (10)(a)(2) Florida Statutes, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area is required to execute "an agreement with the metropolitan and regional intergovernmental coordination and review agencies serving the metropolitan areas, specifying the means by which activities will be coordinated and how transportation planning and programming will be part of the comprehensive planned development of the area."

Please find attached a copy of the Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Coordination Joint Participation Agreement that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area executed on January 26, 2007, along with the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, the Florida Department of Transportation, the City of Gainesville and the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority. According to Section 339.175 (10)(a) Florida Statutes, the Agreement is to be reviewed and updated as necessary every five years.

There are no updates that need to be made to the Agreement at this time.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachment

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Dedicated to improving the quality of life of the Region's citizens, by coordinating growth management, protecting regional resources, promoting economic development and providing technical services to local governments.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW AND

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

THIS JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 26 94 day of 2007 by and between the STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, hereinafter referred to as the Department; the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville urbanized area, hereinafter referred to as the MTPO; The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council; the City of Gainesville, hereinafter referred to as the City; and the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority, hereinafter referred to as the Authority.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Federal Government, under the authority of 23 U. S. C. and any subsequent applicable amendments requires each metropolitan area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, to have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in designated metropolitan areas to develop and implement plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the metropolitan area;

WHEREAS, 23 U. S. C. 134 (a) and (b), and Section 339.175, Florida Statutes, provide for the creation of metropolitan planning organizations to develop transportation plans and programs for metropolitan areas;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned federal laws require that the State, the MTPO, and the operators of publicly owned transportation systems shall enter into an agreement clearly identifying the responsibilities for cooperatively carrying out such transportation planning (including corridor and subarea studies pursuant to 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.316 and 450.318) and programming;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20.23, Florida Statutes, the Department has been created by the State of Florida, and the Department has the powers and duties relating to transportation, all as outlined in Section 334.044, Florida Statutes;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 23 United States Code 134, 49 United States Code 5303, 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.306, and Section 339.175, Florida Statutes, the MTPO has been designated and its membership apportioned by the Governor of the State of Florida, with the agreement of the affected units of general purpose local government, to organize and establish the MTPO;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 339.175(9)(a)2., Florida Statutes, the MTPO shall execute and maintain an agreement with the metropolitan and regional intergovernmental coordination and review agencies serving the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, hereinafter referred to as the Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid agreement must describe the means by which activities will be coordinated and specify how transportation planning and programming will be part of the comprehensively planned development of the Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 186.504, Florida Statutes, the Council was established and operates under its Organization Policies with a primary purpose of intergovernmental coordination and review;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 186.505(24), Florida Statutes, the Council is to review plans of metropolitan planning organizations to identify inconsistencies between those agencies' plans and applicable local government comprehensive plans adopted pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes;

WHEREAS, the Council, pursuant to Section 186.507, Florida Statutes, is required to prepare a Strategic Regional Policy Plan, which will contain regional goals and policies that address regional transportation issues;

WHEREAS, based on the Council's statutory mandate to identify inconsistencies between plans of metropolitan planning organizations and applicable local government comprehensive plans, and to prepare and adopt a Strategic Regional Policy Plan, the Council is appropriately situated to assist in the intergovernmental coordination of the intermodal transportation planning process;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 186.509, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 29C-8, Florida Administrative Code, the Council has adopted a conflict and dispute resolution process;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the dispute resolution process is to reconcile differences in planning and growth management issues between local governments, regional agencies, and private interests;

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have determined that the voluntary dispute resolution process is useful in the process of resolving conflicts and disputes arising in the transportation planning process;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.310(b) and Section 339.175(9)(a)3., Florida Statutes, the MTPO must execute and maintain an agreement with the operators of public transportation systems, including transit systems, commuter rail systems, airports, and seaports, describing the means by which activities will be coordinated and specifying how public transit, commuter rail, aviation, and seaport planning (including corridor and subarea studies pursuant to 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.316 and 450.318) and programming will be part of the comprehensively planned development of the Metropolitan

operators of public transportation systems, including transit systems, commuter rail systems, airports, and seaports, describing the means by which activities will be coordinated and specifying how public transit, commuter rail, aviation, and seaport planning (including corridor and subarea studies pursuant to 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.316 and 450.318) and programming will be part of the comprehensively planned development of the Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that the MTPO, operators of public transportation systems, including transit systems, commuter rail systems, port and aviation authorities, jointly pledge their intention to cooperatively participate in the planning and programming of transportation improvements within the Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, the undersigned parties have determined that this Agreement satisfies the requirements of, and is consistent, with 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.310, 450.312, 450.316 and 450.318 and Section 339.175(9)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this Agreement desire to participate cooperatively in the performance, on a continuing basis, of a coordinated, comprehensive transportation planning process to assure that highway facilities, mass transit, rail systems, air transportation and other facilities will be properly located and developed in relation to the overall plan of community development.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and representation herein, the parties desiring to be legally bound, do agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 RECITALS; DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Recitals</u>. Each and all of the foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and acknowledged to be true and correct. Failure of any of the foregoing recitals to be true and correct shall not operate to invalidate this Agreement.

Section 1.02. <u>Definitions</u>. The following words when used in this Agreement (unless the context shall clearly indicate the contrary) shall have the following meanings:

Agreement means and refers to this instrument, as amended from time to time.

Corridor or Subarea Study shall mean and refer to studies involving major investment decisions or as otherwise identified in 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.316 and 450.318.

Department shall mean and refer to the Florida Department of Transportation, an agency of the State of Florida, created pursuant to Section 20.23, Florida Statutes.

FHWA means and refers to the Federal Highway Administration.

Long Range Transportation Plan is at a minimum a 20-year plan which: identifies transportation facilities and; includes a financial plan that demonstrates how the plan can be implemented and assesses capital improvements necessary to preserve the existing metropolitan transportation system and make efficient use of existing transportation facilities and; indicates proposed transportation enhancement activities; all as required by 23 United States Code 134(g), 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.322 and Section 339.175(6), Florida Statutes.

Metropolitan Area means and refers to the planning area as determined by agreement between the MTPO and the Governor in the urbanized areas designated by the United States Bureau of the Census as described in 23 United States Code 134(b)(1) and Section 339.175, Florida Statutes, which shall be subject to the MTPO's planning authority.

MTPO means and refers to the MTPO formed pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement dated May 26, 2004 as amended or superseded from time to time.

Council means and refers to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council created pursuant to Section 186.504, Florida Statutes, and established to operate under its Organization Policies.

TIP is the staged multi-year program of transportation improvement projects developed by the MTPO consistent with the Long-Range Transportation Plan and developed pursuant to Title 23 United States Code 134(h), 49 United States Code 5304, 23 Code of Federal Regulations 450.324 and Section 339.175, Florida Statutes.

Unified Planning Work Program is the annual program, developed in cooperation with the Department and public transportation providers, that lists all planning tasks to be undertaken during a program year, with a complete description thereof and an estimated budget, all as required by 23 Code of Federal Regulations 420, Subpart A, and Section 450.314, and Section 339.175(8), Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 2 PURPOSE

Section 2.01. <u>Coordination with public transit operators</u>. As set forth in Article 3 of this Agreement, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide for cooperation with the Department, the City, the Authority, and the MTPO in the development and preparation of the Unified Planning Work Program, the TIP, the Long-Range Transportation Plan, and any applicable Corridor or Subarea Studies.

Section 2.02. <u>Intergovernmental coordination</u>. As set forth in Article 4 of this Agreement, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide a process through the Council for intergovernmental coordination and review and identification of inconsistencies between proposed MTPO transportation plans and local government comprehensive plans adopted pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, and approved by the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Section 2.03. <u>Dispute resolution</u>. As set forth in Article 5 of this Agreement, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide a process for conflict and dispute resolution through the Council.

ARTICLE 3 COOPERATIVE PROCEDURES FOR PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING WITH OPERATORS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Section 3.01. <u>Cooperation with operators of public transportation systems; coordination with local government approved comprehensive plans.</u>

- (a) The MTPO shall cooperate with the City, the Authority and the Department to optimize the planning and programming of an integrated and balanced intermodal transportation system for the Metropolitan Area.
- (b) The MTPO shall implement a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that is consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, with aviation master plans, and public transit development plans of the units of local governments whose boundaries are within the Metropolitan Area.
- (c) The MTPO shall ensure that representatives of transit agencies and airports within the Metropolitan Area are provided membership on the MTPO's Technical Advisory Committee.

Section 3.02. <u>Preparation of transportation related plans</u>.

- (a) Although the adoption or approval of the Unified Planning Work Program, the TIP, and the Long-Range Transportation Plan is the responsibility of the MTPO, development of such plans or programs shall be viewed as a cooperative effort involving the Department, the City, and the Authority. In developing its plans and programs, the MTPO shall solicit the comments and recommendations of the parties to this Agreement in the preparation of such plans and programs.
- (b) At the commencement of the process of preparing the Unified Planning Work Program, the TIP, or the Long-Range Transportation Plan, or preparing other than a minor amendment thereto (as determined by the MTPO), the MTPO shall extend notice to the Department, the City, and the Authority advising the scope of the work to be undertaken and inviting comment and participation in the development process. The MTPO shall ensure that the chief operating officials of the Department, the City, and the Authority shall receive approximate 15 days written formal notice of all public workshops and hearings relating to the development of such plans and programs. It is stipulated by the parties to this Agreement that the failure by the MTPO to properly extend written or other notice shall not invalidate, or be lodged as a claim to invalidate, the adoption of the aforementioned plans and programs.

(c) Local government comprehensive plans.

(1) In developing the TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, or a Corridor or Subarea Studies, or preparing other than a minor amendment thereto (as determined by the

MTPO), the MTPO, the City and the Authority shall analyze for each local government in the Metropolitan Area: (i) the comprehensive plan future land use elements; (ii) the goals, objectives, and policies of the comprehensive plans; and (iii) the zoning regulations of each of the local governments in the Metropolitan Area. Based upon the foregoing review and a consideration of other growth management factors, the MTPO, the City and the Authority shall provide written recommendations to local governments in the Metropolitan Area in the development, amendment, and implementation of their comprehensive plans and zoning regulations. A copy of the recommendations shall be sent to the Council.

- (2) The MTPO agrees that, to the maximum extent feasible, the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the project and project phases within the TIP shall be consistent with the future land use element and goals, objectives, and policies of the comprehensive plans of local government in the Metropolitan Area. If the MTPO's TIP is inconsistent with a local government comprehensive plan, the MTPO shall so indicate, and the MTPO shall present, as part of the TIP, justification for including the project in the program.
 - (d) Multi-modal transportation agency plans.
- (1) In developing the TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, or a Corridor or Subarea Studies, or preparing other than a minor amendment thereto (as determined by the MTPO), the MTPO shall analyze the affected master plans and comprehensive plans of the City and Authority. Based upon the foregoing review and a consideration of other transportation-related factors, the MTPO, shall from time to time and as appropriate, provide recommendations to the parties to this Agreement as well as local governments within the Metropolitan Area, for the development, amendment, and implementation of their master, development, or comprehensive plans.
- (2) In developing or revising their respective master or development plans, the parties to this Agreement shall analyze the draft or approved Unified Planning Work Program, TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, or Corridor and Subarea Studies, or amendments thereto. Based upon the foregoing review and a consideration of other transportation-related factors, the parties to this Agreement shall from time to time and as appropriate, provide written recommendations to the MTPO with regard to development, amendment, and implementation of the plans, programs, and studies.
- (3) The MTPO agrees that, to the maximum extent feasible, the TIP shall be consistent with the affected master plans and development plans of the parties to this Agreement.
- (e) By letter agreement to be executed by the MTPO and the affected Authority and public transit providers represented by MTPO members, the MTPO and the affected agency or authority shall mutually develop a process for planning coordination, forwarding recommendations, and project programming consistency to be referred to as the letter agreement. The parties to this letter agreement agree that the MTPO need only include in the TIP those state-funded airport projects that directly relate to surface transportation activities. The process agreed to in the letter agreement shall provide flexible deadlines for inter-agency comment on affected plans referenced in this section. This Agreement will be amended pursuant to Section

6.02 to incorporate this letter agreement. The signatories to the letter agreement may revise or terminate the letter agreement upon 30 days written notice to all other parties to this letter agreement but without approval of other parties hereto.

ARTICLE 4 INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW

- Section 4.01. Coordination with Council. The Council shall perform the following tasks:
- (a) Within 30 days of receipt, review the draft of the proposed TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, Corridor and Subarea Studies, or amendments thereto, as requested by the MTPO, to identify inconsistencies between the foregoing plans and programs and applicable local government comprehensive plans adopted pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, for counties and cities within the Metropolitan Area and the adopted Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
- (1) The parties hereto recognize that, pursuant to Florida law, the Long-Range Transportation Plan of the MTPO must be considered by cities and counties within the Metropolitan Area in the preparation, amendment, and update/revision of their comprehensive plans. Further, the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the projects and project phases within the TIP are to be consistent with the future land use element and goals, objectives, and policies of the comprehensive plans of local governments in the Metropolitan Area to the maximum extent feasible. Therefore, promptly upon completion of its review of the draft proposal, the Council shall advise the MTPO and each affected county or city of its findings;
- (2) If, after completing its review of the draft proposal, the Council deems that the plans or programs submitted are not acceptable, the Council shall promptly advise the MTPO in writing of its concerns and identify those portions of the submittals which need to be reevaluated and potentially modified; and
- (3) Upon final adoption of the proposed TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, Corridor and Subarea Studies, or amendment thereto, the MTPO may request that the Council consider adoption of regional transportation goals, objectives, and policies in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan implementing the adopted TIP, Long-Range Transportation Plan, Corridor and Subarea Studies, or amendments thereto. If the proposed plan, program, or study, or amendments thereto, was the subject of previous adverse comment by the Council, the MTPO will identify the change in the final adopted plan intended to resolve the adverse comment, or alternatively, the MTPO shall identify the reason for not amending the plan as suggested by the Council.
- (b) The Council and MTPO agree to use the conflict and dispute resolution process as set forth in Article 5 below.

ARTICLE 5 CONFLICT AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

- Section 5.01. <u>Disputes and conflicts under this Agreement</u>. This process shall apply to conflicts and disputes relating to matters subject to this Agreement, or conflicts arising from the performance of this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in this Article 5, only representatives of the agencies with conflicts or disputes shall engage in conflict resolution.
- Section 5.02. Remedies. The parties may seek to resolve their dispute by the informal dispute resolution procedures of the Council as set forth in Chapter 29C-8, Florida Administrative Code, or by mediation or such other procedures as mutually agreed to by all the parties. In the event the parties are unable to resolve the dispute, the parties shall retain their right to all available administrative and/or judicial remedies.

ARTICLE 6 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISION

- Section 6.01. <u>Constitutional or statutory duties and responsibilities of parties</u>. This Agreement shall not be construed to authorize the delegation of the constitutional or statutory duties of any of the parties. In addition, this Agreement does not relieve any of the parties of an obligation or responsibility imposed upon them by law, except to the extent of actual and timely performance thereof by one or more of the parties to this Agreement or any legal or administrative entity created or authorized by this Agreement, in which case this performance may be offered in satisfaction of the obligation or responsibility.
- Section 6.02. <u>Amendment of Agreement</u>. Amendments or modifications of this Agreement may only be made by written agreement signed by all parties hereto with the same formalities as the original Agreement.

Section 6.03. Duration; withdrawal procedure.

- (a) <u>Duration</u>. This Agreement shall have a term of five years and shall automatically renew at the end of said five years for another five year term and every five years thereafter. At the end of the first five year term and at least every five years thereafter, the parties hereto shall examine the terms hereof and agree to amend the provisions or reaffirm the same. However, the failure to amend or to reaffirm the terms of this Agreement shall not invalidate or otherwise terminate this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Withdrawal procedure</u>. Any party may withdraw from this Agreement after presenting in written form a notice of intent to withdraw to the other parties to this Agreement and the MTPO, at least 90 days prior to the intended date of withdrawal; provided, that financial commitments made prior to withdrawal are effective and binding for their full term and amount regardless of withdrawal.
- Section 6.04. Notices. All notices, demands and correspondence required or provided for

under this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered in person or dispatched by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested. Notice is required to be given and shall be addressed as follows:

North Central Florida Regional Planning Council 2009 NW 67th Place, Suite A Gainesville, FL 32653-1603

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area 2009 NW 67th Place, Suite A Gainesville, FL 32653-1603

Florida Department of Transportation, District 2 1109 South Marion Avenue, Mail Station 2000 Lake City, FL 32025-5874

> City of Gainesville P.O. Box 490 Gainesville, FL 32602

Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority 3880 NE 39th Avenue, Suite A Gainesville, FL 32609

A party may unilaterally change its address or addressee by giving notice in writing to the other parties as provided in this section. Thereafter, notices, demands and other pertinent correspondence shall be addressed and transmitted to the new address.

Section 6.05. <u>Interpretation</u>.

- (a) <u>Drafters of Agreement</u>. All parties hereto were each represented by, or afforded the opportunity for representation by legal counsel, and participated in the drafting of this Agreement and in the choice of wording. Consequently, no provision hereof should be more strongly construed against any party as drafter of this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Severability</u>. Invalidation of any one of the provisions of this Agreement or any part, clause or word hereof, or the application thereof in specific circumstances, by judgment, court order, or administrative hearing or order shall not affect any other provisions or applications in other circumstances, all of which shall remain in full force and effect; provided, that such remainder would then continue to conform to the terms and requirements of applicable law.
- (c) <u>Rules of construction</u>. In interpreting this Agreement, the following rules of construction shall apply unless the context indicates otherwise:

- (1) The singular of any word or term includes the plural;
- (2) The masculine gender includes the feminine gender; and
- (3) The word "shall" is mandatory, and "may" is permissive.
- Section 6.06. <u>Attorney's Fees</u>. In the event of any judicial or administrative action to enforce or interpret this Agreement by any party hereto, each party shall bear its own attorney's fees in connection with such proceeding.
- Section 6.07. Agreement execution; use of counterpart signature pages. This Agreement, and any amendments hereto, may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- Section 6.08. <u>Effective date</u>. This Agreement shall become effective upon its execution by all parties hereto.
- Section 6.09. Other authority. In the event that any election, referendum, approval, permit, notice, or other proceeding or authorization is required under applicable law to enable the parties to enter into this Agreement or to undertake the provisions set forth hereunder, or to observe, assume or carry out any of the provisions of the Agreement, said parties will initiate and consummate, as provided by law, all actions necessary with respect to any such matters for required.
- Section 6.10. <u>Parties not obligated to third parties</u>. No party hereto shall be obligated or liable hereunder to any party not a signatory to this Agreement. There are no express or intended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- Section 6.11. Rights and remedies not waived. In no event shall the making by the Department of any payment to the MTPO constitute or be construed as a waiver by the Department of any breach of covenant or any default which may then exist on the part of the MTPO, and the making of any such payment by the Department while any such breach or default exists shall in no way impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to the Department in respect of such breach or default.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed this Joint Participation Agreement on behalf of the referenced legal entities on the date as first above written.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered in the presence of:

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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Florida Chamber Foundation

Florida 2030 Town Halls

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to partner with the Florida Chamber Foundation and local chambers of commerce to co-host Florida 2030 town halls in north central Florida region counties.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida Chamber Foundation is leading the charge to write the blueprint for Florida's future through their Florida 2030 initiative (see attached summary). This two-year research program is stimulating strategic thinking about Florida's future and engaging business and community leaders through town halls in each of Florida's 67 counties in identifying key trends and the factors that can drive their regional economy. By 2030, Florida will add six million more residents. The blueprint will address such issues as whether we have enough clean water, enough energy capacity and enough infrastructure to guarantee vibrant and sustainable communities throughout the state.

Founded in 1968, the Florida Chamber Foundation is a business-led, problem-solver and research organization, working in partnership with state business leaders to promote a vibrant Florida economy. The Foundation's Six Pillars serve as a visioning platform for moving Florida forward. The Foundation's work focuses on the following issues.

- Talent Supply and Education;
- Innovation and Economic Development;
- Infrastructure and Growth Leadership;
- Business Climate and Competitiveness;
- Civic and Governance Systems; and
- Ouality of Life and Quality Places.

It is recommended that the Council partner with the Florida Chamber Foundation and local chambers of commerce to co-host Florida 2030 town halls in north central Florida region counties.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Dedicated to improving the quality of life of the Region's citizens, by coordinating growth management, protecting regional resources, promoting economic development and providing technical services to local governments.

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IS FLORIDA READY FOR THE FUTURE?

By the year 2030, Florida will:













The Florida 2030 Project

By 2030, six million more residents will call Florida home and 2 million more jobs will be needed. To prepare for this continued growth and ensure Florida remains successful, we need a plan for Florida's future that develops high-wage jobs, diversifies the economy, ensures global competitiveness and creates vibrant communities.

The Florida Chamber Foundation is leading the charge to write the blueprint for Florida's future — Florida 2030. This two-year research program will stimulate strategic thinking about Florida's future and engage business and community leaders in each of Florida's 67 counties in identifying key trends and the factors that can drive their regional economy.

Florida 2030 is our opportunity to work together to strengthen your community, your business, and your future. Help us make Florida a better place for tomorrow by engaging in Florida 2030 today.

Secure Florida's Future

- Lend your expertise. We are going around the state and hosting townhalls. We want you to help us bring people together at your company meetings or community events. Our target is 10,000 voices telling us about the future.
- **Provide your input.** We are seeking people who have the ability to vision at the local and state level. What are the changes you see coming?
- Invest in Florida's future. Preparing a roadmap is essential to building a future where all Floridians succeed. Florida 2030 is driven by and funded by corporations, small businesses, nonprofits, and individuals who are committed to securing Florida's future.





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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

- Appoint Selvin Cray the alternate Regional Workforce Development Board Representative on the Dixie, Gilchrist and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.
- Appoint Libby Murphy the voting Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative on the Bradford and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.
- Appoint Darlene Strimple the voting Regional Workforce Development Board Representative on the Dixie, Gilchrist and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards and the alternate Regional Workforce Development Board Representative on the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

BACKGROUND:

According to Rule 41-2.012 of the Florida Administrative Code, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the local Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards. It is recommended Selvin Cray serve as the alternate Regional Workforce Board Representative on the Dixie, Gilchrist and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards. It is recommended Libby Murphy serve as the voting Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative on the Bradford and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards. It is recommended Darlene Strimple serve as the voting Regional Workforce Development Board Representative on the Dixie, Gilchrist and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards and the alternate Regional Workforce Development Board Representative on the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Proclamation Declaring April 2017 as County Government Month

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the attached proclamation declaring April 2017 as County Government Month.

BACKGROUND

County Government Month is celebrated each April by counties across the country to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of county government.

Counties participate in County Government Month by hosting a variety community outreach events and activities. These include tours of county facilities, recognition ceremonies for county employees and volunteers, distribution of information about county programs and services, sponsoring student essay or art contests, meetings with business and community leaders and adoption of resolutions.

The National Association of Counties encourages counties across the country to actively promote county government programs and services throughout the month.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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PROCLAMATION

DECLARING MONTH OF APRIL AS COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe, vibrant and economically resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, counties move America forward by building infrastructure, maintaining roads and bridges, providing health care, administrating justice, keeping communities safe, running election, managing solid waste, keeping records and much more; and

WHEREAS, counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in effective and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe and economically competitive, America's counties provide transportation and infrastructure services that play a key role in everything from daily commutes to shipping goods around the world; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties has designated April as County Government Month and encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their programs and services to the public they serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, hereby declares April 2017 as County Government Month throughout the north central Florida region.

DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED this 27th day of April 2017.

ATTEST:

Louie Davis, Secretary-Treasurer

Rick Davis, Chair

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April 20, 2017

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Proclamation Declaring May 7-13, 2017 as Travel and Tourism Week

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached proclamation declaring the week of May 7-13, 2017 as Travel and Tourism Week.

BACKGROUND:

The Original Florida Tourism Task Force was created as a task force of the Council 24 years ago. It is now a 14-county independent tourism marketing interlocal agreement organization. The mission of the Original Florida Tourism Task Force is to "Promote the natural, historic, and cultural attractions of the north central Florida region to increase the number of visitors and extend their stay. The goal is to enhance the area's economy, image, and quality of life through expanded revenues and employment opportunities. At the same time, the region will encourage the preservation of the resources which bring focus to the area."

The week of May 7-13, 2017 is *National Travel and Tourism Week* as declared by the Travel Industry Association. Activities are planned throughout the United States and Florida to support and celebrate the tourism industry.

It is recommended that the Council adopt the attached proclamation declaring the week of May 7-13, 2017 as Travel and Tourism Week in north central Florida.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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PROCLAMATION

DECLARING MAY 7-13, 2017 AS TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK

WHEREAS, tourism brings over 112 million visitors annually to the State of Florida, generates over \$11.3 billion in annual sales tax revenues and employs over 1.4 million persons;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council recognizes the importance of tourism to the north central Florida regional economy and quality of life;

WHEREAS, local governments, tourist development councils and the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council support tourism opportunities in north central Florida; and

WHEREAS, local governments, businesses, chambers of commerce, visitors bureaus, tourist development councils and the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council are working together to support this vital part of north central Florida's economy and all who play a role in tourism to ensure that north central Florida continues to be a place where traditions will be created and continued for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby declares the week of May 7-13, 2017 as Travel and Tourism Week throughout the north central Florida region.

DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED this 27th day of April 2017.

ATTEST:

Louie Davis, Secretary-Treasurer

Rick Davis, Chair

SEAL: